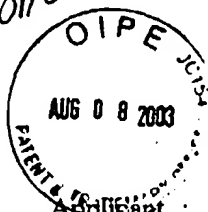


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I, Feng-Nien Ko, hereby declare that:

1. I am a co-inventor of the subject matter described and claimed in the above-identified application, which relates to a composition containing an American ginseng extract for preventing or treating peptic ulcer.

2. I or others have prepared two American ginseng extract-containing compositions. For one composition, the American ginseng extract was extracted with water according to the method described in EXAMPLE 1 of the application ("Water extract"). The American ginseng extract in the other composition was extracted with methanol by the method described in EXAMPLE 4 of the application ("Methanol extract"). Both extracts were filtered through ultrafiltration membranes with a molecular weight cut-off 1,000 (Amicon, Cat. No. S1Y1) to collect retentates containing compounds with molecular weights greater than 1,000 dalton. The extracts thus obtained were then dried.

One gram of each dried extract was mixed with 30 ml ether and then filtered to obtain an ether-soluble fraction and an ether-insoluble fraction. The dry weight of the ether-soluble

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